

APPENDIX

Changes to Claims:

Claims 4, 5, 17, 18, 20 and 30 are canceled.

The following is a marked-up version of the amended claims:

1. (Amended) A facsimile device including:

an image data memory for storing image data;

a plurality of memory boxes provided in the image data memory, each of the memory boxes being accompanied with a predetermined box number and storing first image data therein;

a detection device for detecting a transfer command arrived to the facsimile device, the transfer command specifying a memory box in accordance with the box number and instructing transfer of the first image data stored in the specified memory box to a calling side;

a judgement device for judging whether or not the memory box specified by the transfer command using the box number detected by the detection device is effective; and an image transfer device for transferring the first image data stored in the specified memory box to the calling side when the judgement device judges that the memory box specified by the transfer command is effective, and alternatively for transferring second image data different from the first image data to the calling side when the judgement device judges that the memory box specified by the transfer command is ineffective;

wherein the memory box includes plurality of confidential boxes and bulletin board boxes, and

wherein each of the confidential boxes is accompanied with the box number and an identification number, and each of the bulletin board boxes is accompanied with only the box number.

6. (Amended) The facsimile device according to claim 51, wherein the transfer command includes information of the box number and the identification number corresponding to the confidential box and a telephone number of the calling side, and information of the box number corresponding to the bulletin board box and a telephone number of the calling side.

12. (Amended) The facsimile device according to claim 51, wherein the second image data is image data indicating an operation manual.

19. (Amended) The facsimile device according to claim 4815, wherein the transfer command includes information of the box number and the identification number corresponding to the confidential box and a telephone number of the calling side, and information of the box number corresponding to the bulletin board box and a telephone number of the calling side.

21. (Amended) The facsimile device according to claim 2019, wherein the image transfer device transfers the second image data stored in the specified memory box to the calling side when the judgement device judges that the identification number assigned to the confidential box does not coincide with the identification number included in the transfer command.

23. (Amended) The facsimile device according to claim 4815, wherein the second image data includes at least a method of specifying the box number and the identification number.

25. (Amended) The facsimile device according to claim 4715, wherein the specified memory box is set to one of the bulletin board boxes.

31. (Amended) The facsimile device according to claim 3026, wherein the transfer command includes information of the box number and the identification number corresponding to the confidential box and a telephone number of the calling side, and

information of the box number corresponding to the bulletin board box and a telephone number of the calling side.